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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

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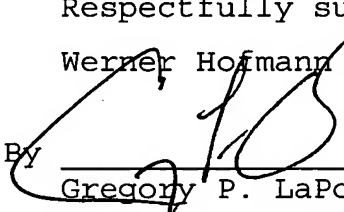
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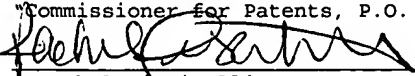
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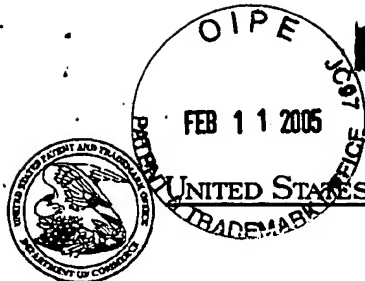
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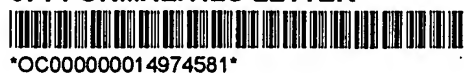
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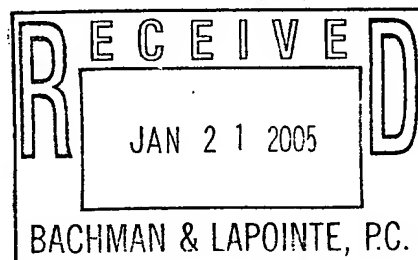
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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 07/20/2004
- English Translation of the IA filed on 07/20/2004
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 07/20/2004
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 07/20/2004
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 07/20/2004
- Oath or Declaration filed on 07/20/2004
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 07/20/2004
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 07/20/2004
- Substitute Specification filed on 07/20/2004
- Priority Documents filed on 07/20/2004
- Power of Attorney filed on 07/20/2004



The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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